the course of those narratives in which he recited experiences and observations of foot excursions along the River road from Tenleytown to historic places westward of tioned Little Falls branch, which the River road crosses about a mile west of the Rockville pike. Not many years ago that branch flowed across the ancient road. Then the road crossed it on a wooden bridge.

Within two years the road has been so improved that, from being as bad as any road in the vicinity of Washington, it is now as good as any, and it passes over Little Falls branch on a cement culvert, which is so raw and fresh that not even the friendliest eye can see in it anything that is picturesque. Several years ago the Rambler wrote of this road as follows:

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"After crossing the District line the road becomes poor—even had—according to the weather. But it is typical of all the old rural ways in this region. The roadbed has been worn down by long use and washing, and the banks between which it passes are grown with brambles and some trees. The wheel track does not go straight, but sways from side to side of the right of way. Where repairs to the road have been made the work has been done by laying down large pieces of gneiss and quartz and these make the going rough. going rough. "From the District line it is down

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"From the District line it is down grade to a stream. At this season the stream has nothing like the volume of Rock creek. Perhaps it has the volume of Piney branch where that brook enters Rock creek. It has worn for itself a course through the fields down to the basic rock and it pours along over gray boulders. You can follow its course for a long way with the eye by means of the trees that grow along its banks. This is Little Falls branch.

There is an interesting story about this branch. Along about the middle of the nineteenth century, when it became obvious even to near-sighted percame obvious even to near-sighted percame



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ing charge of the matter has secured a house on 11th street—No. 125—between G and H, and will open tomorrow (Saturday)." This old news note said: "It is proposed to dispense soup three days such week." Thursdays, Thursdays s proposed to dispense soup three days each week. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays and, if the committee sustains them (it being supported by voluntary contilbutions), every day should the demand call for it. So far the enterprise has met with decided successour citizens will be called on for such contributions as they may feel discontributions as they may feel dis-posed to give, either in food, mone', groceries or second-hand clothing which is also received and given to the which is also received and given to the needy. Contributions may be left with J. Fussell, corner of 12th and F. streets, or Rev. Mr. Butler, next to the Lattheran Church. A committee will wan on applicants for relief, and, if form worthy, they will be immediately provided with tickets, each entitling the holder to one quart of soup, with bread. This investigation is deened necessary to guard against impostors, who are ever ready to deprive the meritorious of sympathy in such matters. We trust this measure will meet with approbation from our citizens, as there is greater destitution among the poorer classes in our midst this winter than was ever before known."

souphouse on 11th street under the Church, one was also opened near St Aloysius Church under the auspices of the congregation of that church, and another souphouse was opened by the lum, at the corner of 10th and G streets. There were other souphouses

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S. CONSULAR SERVICE IS NOW, FOR FIRST TIME, A MOBILE FORCE

Recent Legislation Tends to Increase Efficiency of the Corps—Being a Consul Now a Profes-

being an American consul today is a profession. A commission at the possessor has passed a sever test and has demonstrated that the had political influence.

Further, the American consular service this year, for the first time in this posts, but may be massed, as occasion is a loose-leaf binder, packed fat with typewritten sheets, and it looks not at impressive. Still, it contains the personnel is not tied to particular posts, but may be massed, as occasion is recommission and the "might spreading of the service of the service with a service with a manner of the service with the service of the service are most needed.

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